Off-take of rice and wheat after increase in CIP

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether off-take of rice and wheat has gone down after raising CIP of rice and wheat for APL families to 100 per cent of the economic cost or open market sale price decided by FCI;

(b) the off-take of rice and wheat in the month prior to increase in prices; and

(c) the quantum of rice and wheat sold through PDS in the country every month since the increase in price was effected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHRIRAM CHAUHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The off-take of rice and wheat in the month prior to increase Central Issue Price (CIP) for Above Poverty Line (APL) families *i.e.* March, 2000 was as follows:

(In lakh tonnes)
Provisional

Rice	Wheat	Total
5.14	1.40	6.54

(c) Month-wise off-take of foodgrains through Public Distribution System (PDS) for APL families after the increase in CIP is given in the Statement.

Statement

Month-wise Off-take of foodgrains through PDS for APL families after increase in price

(in lakh tonnes)

Month	Rice	Wheat	Total
April, 2000	2.09	0.3	2.39
May, 2000	1.37	0.25	1.62
June, 2000	1.03	0.19	1.22
July, 2000	1.19	0.2	1.39
August, 2000	1.41	0.2	1.61
September, 2000	2.03	0.17	2.2
October, 2000	1.3	0.09	1.39
November, 2000	1.61	0.08	1.69
December, 2000	1.77	0.12	1.89
January, 2001	1.25	0.07	1.32
February, 2001	1.08	0.06	1.14
March, 2001	1.29	0.08	1.37
April, 2001	1.45	0.05	1.5
May, 2001	1.33	0.03	1.36
June, 2001	1.13	0.13	1.26
TOTAL:	21.33	2.02	23.35